

line between this state and Delaware and Pennsylvania, and at other proper places, to prevent any violation of this act, and to seize any tobacco, carriages and beasts, liable to be forfeited and seized in virtue of this act. C H A P. XXVI.

IV. And be it enacted, That the justices of the peace, or any three or more of them, for the several counties of this state, except Frederick and Washington counties, be authorised and required to meet at the place where their respective county courts are held, between the fifteenth and twenty-fifth day of January next, and then and there determine at what place or places, on or near navigable water in their respective counties, except Frederick and Washington counties, warehouses shall be kept for the receipt and inspection of tobacco agreeable to this act, and the number of inspectors proper at each place, and they shall enter the place, and the number of inspectors at each place, in a book to be provided and kept for that purpose only, and the place or places, and warehouse or warehouses, for the receipt and inspection of tobacco in their county, during the continuance of this act. Justices to meet and fix the places for warehouses, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That the said justices be authorised and required to meet at the place where their respective county courts are held, between the fifteenth and twenty-fifth day of January next, and then proceed to nominate and recommend to the governor and the council three or five persons, each of them having assessed property in the state to the value of three hundred pounds current money, and well skilled in the curing and packing tobacco, and the order, quality, and condition thereof, and well qualified and capable from his integrity, reputation and diligence, to execute and discharge the office and duty of an inspector. And recommend inspectors, &c.

VI. And be it enacted, That every justice, before he votes for any public warehouse, or for any person as inspector, shall take an oath or affirmation, as the case may be, (which any one of the said justices may administer) that he will, without favour, affection, partiality or prejudice, appoint such place and public warehouse for the receipt and inspection of tobacco in his county, as he in his judgment and conscience believes most proper for that purpose; and that he will nominate and recommend such person to be inspector as he shall in his judgment and conscience believe well skilled in the curing and packing tobacco, and the order, condition and quality thereof, and well qualified and capable from his integrity, reputation and diligence, to execute and discharge the office and duty of an inspector; and every justice, on voting for any public warehouse to be fixed or built at any particular place, or for any inspector or inspectors, for the inspecting, safe keeping, and delivering of tobacco at the said warehouse, shall declare in writing in a book to be kept by the clerk of the county for that purpose only, his choice of such warehouse, and of the name or names of the inspector or inspectors for whom he hath voted, and shall subscribe his name to the said declaration in writing, and the said justices shall immediately thereafter deliver a copy thereof, under their hands, to the sheriff of their county, who shall forthwith transmit the same to the governor, who, with the advice of the council, is hereby authorised and required to appoint and commission two persons out of the five, or one person out of the three, recommended as before directed, to be inspector or inspectors, as the case may require. Their oath, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That every justice who shall neglect (not being prevented by sickness, or some other unavoidable accident) to meet according to the directions of this act to appoint public warehouses, or to nominate and recommend inspectors, as directed by this act, or being met, shall neglect to appoint warehouses, or to nominate and recommend inspectors, in pursuance of this act, shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty pounds current money for every such neglect. Penalty for neglect, &c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That no member of the general assembly, or the council, clergyman, practising attorney or physician, sheriff, clerk of the general or any county court, or any commissioner of the tax, shall be nominated or appointed an inspector. No member of assembly, &c. to be appointed, &c.